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SUBJECT: ATTENDANCE OF PRINCESS BEATRIX AT APOLLO ASTP
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1. OFFICE OF PRINCESS BEATRIX AND PRINCE CLAUS ADVISES THAT THEIR HIGHNESSES, ACCOMPANIED BY PARTY OF FOUR (TWO SECURITY OFFICERS PLUS TWO AIDES), ARE SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AT JFKENNEDY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ON MONDAY, JULY 14, ABOARD KLM FLIGHT 641 (ETA 16:15 LOCAL). ENTIRE PARTY WILL PROCEED TO WASHINGTON, DC SAME DAY, POSSIBLY TRAVELLING AS GUESTS OF MR. DAVID ROCKEFELLER ON PRIVATE TRANSPORT. (WE WILL REPORT DEFINITIVE ARRANGEMENTS WHEN KNOWN).
2. ROYAL COUPLE WILL LODGE IN WASHINGTON NIGHT OF JULY 14 WITH NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR TAMMENONS BAKKER, WHO WE PRESUME WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS FOR REST OF PARTY.
3. ON TUESDAY, JULY 15 ORIGINAL PARTY WILL PROCEED TO CAPE KENNEDY, ACCOMPANIED ALSO BY AMBASSADOR AND (POSSIBLY) MRS. TAMMENOMS BAKKER, FOR TOTAL PARTY OF SEVEN OR EIGHT. OFFICE OF PRINCESS BEATRIX HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT ONLY THREE SEATS CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE ON NASA AIRCRAFT FROM WASHINGTON
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TO CAPE KENNEDY (PARA 1 OF STATE REFTL), WHICH ARE ACCEPTED WITH APPRECIATION (OF COURSE, IF SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENTS SHOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO ACCOMMODATE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF PARTY ON SAME AIRCRAFT WITH HRH,

SUCH ADDITIONAL SEATS WILL BE MOST WELCOME). WE PRESUME DUTCH EMBASSY WASHINGTON WILL MAKE NECESSARY TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FOR REMAINDER OF PARTY; WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT KEEPING THEM INFORMED AS APPROPRIATE.

4. AFTER APOLLO LAUNCH, PARTY OF SEVEN WILL PROCEED TO HOUSTON. WE PRESUME THAT IF SHE GOES TO CAPE KENNEDY, MRS. TAMMENONS-BAKKER PLANS RETURN DIRECTLY TO WASHINGTON). IN TELECON JUNE 9, ADMINISTRATOR FLETCHER ADVISED AMBASSADOR GOULD THAT, SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY, HE WOULD BE PLEASED PROVIDE THREE SEATS ON NASA AIRCRAFT WHICH WILL TRANSPORT HIM FROM CAPE KENNEDY TO HOUSTON ON JULY 15. HE ASKED THAT WE TAKE UP DIRECTLY WITH NASA AVAILABILITY OF THESE THREE SEATS. WE PRESUME TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS TO HOUSTON FOR REST OF HRH'S PARTY WILL BE MADE BY DUTCH EMBASSY.

5. PRINCESS AND PRINCE PLAN TO OVERNIGHT IN HOUSTON JULY 15 AND DEPART JULY 16 AT 13:50 LOCAL TIME ON KLM 682 FOR NETHERLANDS. WE ASSUME LODGING JULY 15 WILL BE ARRANGED BY DUTCH EMBASSY AND/OR NASA. MORNING OF JULY 16, FROM 9 TO 12 NOON, ROYAL COUPLE WOULD LIKE TO TOUR SPACE CENTER.

6. SECRETARY TO PRINCESS BEATRIX HAS MADE APPOINTMENT TO CALL ON AMBASSADOR JUNE 16 TO REVIEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT. ANY INFORMATION WHICH DEPARTMENT AND/OR NASA CAN PROVIDE PRIOR TO THAT DATE WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL. GOULD

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